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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TUESDAY, JULY 10, 2007 4:00 PM

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS BACK IN SESSION. I HAVE A MOTION TO READ AND THEN EACH OF US WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE SOME BRIEF COMMENTS AND THEN WE WILL VOTE. ON JULY 10TH, 2007, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MET IN CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957. PURSUANT TO COUNTY CODE SECTION 2.06.010, THE BOARD INTERVIEWED AND APPOINTED WILLIAM T. FUJIOKA TO THE POSITION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, EFFECTIVE JULY 30TH, 2007. THE BOARD ALSO INSTRUCTED THE DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL TO EXECUTE AN AT-WILL EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT, WHICH IS APPROVED AS TO FORM BY THE COUNTY COUNSEL. I WOULD ALSO MOVE AT THIS TIME THAT WE APPROVE THIS CONTINGENT ON THE SALARY, AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$310,000. IS THERE A SECOND?

SUP. KNABE: SECOND.

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: THERE ARE FOUR SECONDS. I WANT TO JUST MAKE A COUPLE OF BRIEF REMARKS. I DID NOT HAVE THE PLEASURE OF WORKING CLOSELY WITH BILL FUJIOKA WHEN HE WAS AT



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1 THE COUNTY BUT I HAVE WATCHED HIM VERY CLOSELY BECAUSE I'M A
2 CITY RESIDENT AND I'VE WATCHED HIS ADMINISTRATION AT THE CITY
3 OF LOS ANGELES AND HAVE BEEN DULY IMPRESSED. WITH APOLOGIES TO
4 THE AUTHOR WHO SAID YOU CAN'T GO HOME AGAIN, THE FACT IS, YOU
5 CAN GO HOME AGAIN. WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO WELCOME BILL FUJIOKA
6 AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, ASSUMING
7 WE APPROVE THIS MOTION. HE IS A 32-YEAR CAREER PUBLIC SERVANT
8 WHO HAS WORKED HIS WAY UP FROM AN ENTRY LEVEL JOB IN CITY
9 GOVERNMENT AND THEN TO THE TOP JOB OF BOTH CITY AND COUNTY
10 GOVERNMENT. BILL FUJIOKA IS A MAN OF EXPERIENCE AND INTEGRITY
11 WHO HAS A STRONG WORK ETHIC AND A VERY INDEPENDENT MIND. HE IS
12 THE RIGHT MAN FOR THE JOB AT A TIME WHEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
13 FACES SOME VERY DIFFICULT AND CRITICAL DECISIONS. HE IS ALSO A
14 MAN WHO IS HERE AT THE RIGHT TIME AS WE CHANGE OUR GOVERNANCE
15 SYSTEM FROM WHAT WAS A COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO WHAT
16 WILL BE A CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. ALL OF US HAVE WORKED WITH
17 BILL TO ONE EXTENT OR ANOTHER OVER THE YEARS AND, AS I SAID,
18 I'VE WATCHED HIS STRONG LEADERSHIP AT CITY GOVERNMENT AND ALL
19 OF US HAVE BEEN DULY IMPRESSED AND I'M EXCITED ABOUT THE
20 POSSIBILITY OF HAVING BILL ABOARD AND LOOK FORWARD TO USHERING
21 IN THE FUJIOKA ERA IN L.A. COUNTY GOVERNMENT. MS. BURKE?

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23 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I AM SO PLEASED TO SEE THAT WE'VE COME TO
24 THIS DAY. WE WERE VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE THE KIND OF
25 CANDIDATES THAT WE HAD. YOU KNOW, I THINK THAT WE'VE ALMOST



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1 BEEN A JOKE IN TERMS OF WOULD WE EVER FIND ANYONE TO TAKE
2 DAVID JANSSEN'S PLACE AND I WASN'T SURE WE EVER WOULD FIND
3 ANYONE BUT, IF WE COULD GET SOMEONE WHO IS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE
4 TO THE ABILITY AND THE BACKGROUND, THE EXPERIENCE, I THINK
5 WE'VE DONE IT TODAY AND BILL FUJIOKA IS A PERSON WHO WE KNOW,
6 A PERSON WHO HAS TREMENDOUS EXPERIENCE IN GOVERNMENT, WHO HAS
7 A GREAT KNOWLEDGE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE KIND OF
8 ISSUES THAT WE FACE. ONE THING THAT I WAS VERY PLEASED TO HEAR
9 HIM SAY IS WE'LL HAVE AN ERA OF CLOSER WORKING RELATIONSHIP
10 WITH OUR CITIES, PARTICULARLY WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES,
11 AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN CONTINUE TO RESOLVE OUR PROBLEMS IN A
12 JOINT EFFORT, SO WE WELCOME HIM AND I AM JUST VERY, VERY PROUD
13 THAT WE WERE ABLE TO GET SOMEONE OF THIS CALIBER. WE WANT TO
14 CONGRATULATE HIM AND HE IS THE KIND OF A PERSON THAT I BELIEVE
15 CAN MAKE A TREMENDOUS DIFFERENCE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
16 AS WE MOVE FORWARD. CONGRATULATIONS TO HIM AND I'D LIKE TO SAY
17 TO THE BOARD, I'M SO PLEASED THAT WE WERE ABLE TO TAKE THIS
18 KIND OF A POSITION TO APPOINT A PERSON OF THIS CALIBER AND
19 THIS EXPERIENCE TO THIS IMPORTANT POSITION.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I JUST-- I'M ONE OF THOSE THAT HAVE HAD THE
24 PRIVILEGE OF WORKING WITH BILL SINCE 1982 ON AND OFF WHEN HIS
25 CAREER HERE IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS WELL AS PERIODICALLY



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1 WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND, YOU KNOW, HE HAS OVER 10
2 YEARS' EXPERIENCE, JUST DIRECT HEALTHCARE EXPERIENCE. HE DONE
3 LONG BEACH COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER, WORKED VERY HARD UP AT
4 HIGH DESERT. HE HAS AN INCREDIBLE BACKGROUND AND, MOST
5 IMPORTANTLY, JUST-- IT'S A GREAT AMERICAN STORY, LITERALLY
6 STARTING OUT HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND NOW COMING
7 BACK AS OUR C.E.O. AND, ALTHOUGH WE ARE GOING TO MISS DAVID
8 AND HE KNOWS THAT AND WISH DAVID WELL, I'VE NEVER SEEN-- DAVID
9 HAS NOT SMILED THIS MUCH SINCE HIS RETIREMENT PARTY BUT, BILL,
10 WE EXTEND THE HAND OF WELCOME, LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH
11 YOU, HAVE APPRECIATED WORKING WITH YOU AND YOUR INTEGRITY OVER
12 THE YEARS AND LOOK FORWARD TO MANY MORE YEARS TOGETHER, SO
13 CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA:** FIRST OF ALL, PROBABLY THE HAPPIEST PERSON HERE
18 IN THE ROOM IS DAVID JANSSEN BESIDES BILL FUJIOKA. WE'RE KIND
19 OF EXCITED. THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY. THIS GENTLEMAN
20 STARTED WITH US, HE'S BEEN WITH THE COUNTY, HE KNOWS THE
21 COUNTY. I THINK IT'S A BIG PLUS FOR ALL OF US. IN ADDITION, HE
22 COMES WITH A LOT OF WELL-HONED EXPERIENCES, AS WE UNDERSTAND,
23 FROM DOING WORK IN THE CITY AND WORKING WITH MANY MORE
24 POLITICIANS THERE THAN HE WILL HAVE TO HERE BUT THERE ARE
25 GREAT CHALLENGES AND HE'S LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS. HE SAID HE



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1 REALLY, REALLY WANTED THIS JOB AND I'M SO GLAD WE'RE ABLE, ALL
2 FIVE OF US, TO AGREE THAT HE WAS THE BEST AND THE NEXT C.A.O.
3 FOR THE COUNTY. SO WELCOME, BILL. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING
4 WITH YOU. WE'VE GOT A LOT OF CHALLENGES.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME SAY I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF WORKING
9 WITH BILL FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS WHEN HE WAS WITH THE COUNTY
10 AND WHAT'S INTERESTING AND WHAT THIS COUNTY CONTINUES TO NEED
11 IS THE LEADER WHO UNDERSTANDS THAT WE ARE 88 CITIES AND 134
12 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. WE'RE NOT DOMINATED BY ONE CITY,
13 WE'RE A PARTNER WITH ALL 88 CITIES AND THE UNINCORPORATED
14 AREAS OF THIS COUNTY. HE UNDERSTANDS AND APPRECIATES THE
15 DIVERSITY OF OUR COUNTY'S MAKEUP OF THE 10.2 MILLION PEOPLE.
16 HE HAS EXCELLENT INTERPERSONAL SKILLS AND HE'S-- LET'S SAY
17 HE'S VERY STRAIGHTFORWARD AND OPEN. HE HAS THE RESPECT FROM
18 HIS PEERS AND THOSE HE ASSOCIATES WITH AND HE WILL BRING THE
19 OPPORTUNITY OF BRINGING VALUES AND STANDARDS AND HELPING TO
20 MOVE THE COUNTY INTO THE 21ST CENTURY IN MEETING ALL OF OUR
21 OBLIGATIONS AND, AGAIN, HE UNDERSTANDS THAT WE ARE A COUNTY OF
22 4,000-PLUS SQUARE MILES AND THEY ALL NEED TO BE RECOGNIZED AND
23 WORKED WITH.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. CALL THE ROLL.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AYE.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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8 **SUP. BURKE:** AYE.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** >SUPERVISOR >YAROSLAVSKY?

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AYE. IT IS UNANIMOUS.

21 CONGRATULATIONS, BILL. [APPLAUSE]

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23 **WILLIAM T. FUJIOKA, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU ALL.

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25 **SUP. KNABE:** BOY, DIDN'T TAKE DAVID LONG TO MOVE.



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2 **WILLIAM T. FUJIOKA, C.E.O.:** DID YOU SEE HOW QUICKLY HE STOOD
3 UP? I TOLD THE SUPERVISORS, THE FIRST PERSON I HAD TO CALL WAS
4 MY MOTHER BECAUSE, AFTER LEAVING CITY SERVICE, SHE ASKED ME
5 EVERY WEEK, "WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO GET A JOB?" AND I GOT THIS
6 WONDERFUL JOB, AND I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD INDIVIDUALLY AND
7 COLLECTIVELY AS A GROUP FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. I'M VERY EXCITED
8 ABOUT THIS JOB. IT'S COMING FULL CIRCLE AS I SPENT 19 YEARS IN
9 THE COUNTY AFTER-- YOU KNOW, PRIOR TO MY LAST 10 YEARS WITH
10 THE CITY. I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY. THIS IS AN ABSOLUTE
11 HONOR. I WILL DO MY BEST IS TO SERVE NOT ONLY THIS BOARD BUT
12 THE PEOPLE WE ALL REPRESENT AND SERVE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [
13 APPLAUSE]

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME ALSO ADD, AND WE'LL HAVE
16 ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO DO IT, BUT TO THANK DAVID JANSSEN FOR,
17 WHAT IS IT, 11 OR 12 YEARS.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** ANOTHER PARTY?

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANOTHER PARTY. AND FINALLY GET
22 THAT PIECE OF ART IN YOUR HANDS, IF IT'S STILL AROUND.

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** WATER SHORTAGE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR 11 PLUS
2 YEARS OF REALLY INCREDIBLE SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF THIS
3 COUNTY AND THREE DECADES OF SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF LOS
4 ANGELES, SAN DIEGO AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. WE'LL HAVE AN
5 OPPORTUNITY TO THANK YOU WHEN YOU GET BACK FROM YOUR LATEST
6 VACATION. ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANY OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE
7 BOARD? SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE ARE ADJOURNED. [GAVEL
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